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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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X	<p>ROTHERMEL JOHN ET AL: "EP0906 (epothilone B): a promising novel microtubule stabilizer." SEMINARS IN ONCOLOGY. JUN 2003, vol. 30, no. 3 Suppl 6, June 2003 (2003-06), pages 51-55, XP008039857 ISSN: 0093-7754 the whole document</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-/-</p>	1

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X	<p>WITTMANN S ET AL: "Flavopiridol down-regulates antiapoptotic proteins and sensitizes human breast cancer cells to epothilone B-induced apoptosis" CANCER RESEARCH, AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH, BALTIMORE, MD, US, vol. 63, no. 1, 1 January 2003 (2003-01-01), pages 93-99, XP002290844 ISSN: 0008-5472 abstract</p> <p>-----</p>	1
X	<p>WO 00/03024 A (THE ROCKEFELLER UNIVERSITY; THE ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE) 20 January 2000 (2000-01-20) abstract</p> <p>page 32, line 10 - page 36, line 29 page 46, lines 26-29 page 80, line 17 - page 87, line 12; claims 80-95</p> <p>-----</p>	1
X	<p>WARTMANN M ET AL: "THE BIOLOGY AND MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY OF EPOTHILONES" CURRENT MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY. ANTI-CANCER AGENTS, BENTHAM SCIENCE PUBLISHERS, HILVERSUM, NL, vol. 2, no. 1, January 2002 (2002-01), pages 123-148, XP009017278 ISSN: 1568-0118 abstract</p> <p>-----</p>	1
X	<p>ALTMANN KARL-HEINZ: "Epothilone B and its analogs - a new family of anticancer agents." MINI REVIEWS IN MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY. MAR 2003, vol. 3, no. 2, March 2003 (2003-03), pages 149-158, XP008050865 ISSN: 1389-5575 abstract</p> <p>-----</p>	1

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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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- 3 I Claims Nos because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 64(a)

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see additional sheet

- 1 As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims
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- 3 As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos
- 4 No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims, it is covered by claims Nos

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1. claim: 1

Use of epothilone B in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of solid tumours.

2. claims: 2-15

A method for predicting diarrhoea in a subject, kits for predicting diarrhoea according to said claims.

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Information on patent family members

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